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4 November 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, Industrial Division

FROM: Chief, Guided Missile Branch

SUBJECT: Monthly Report, October 1959

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1. Support to Other Agencies and Consultants: 25X1A2g

- 25X1A9a a. Messrs. [REDACTED] (I/GM) represented the Office at the joint OO/ORR/OSI conference held in San Francisco in early October to evaluate the [REDACTED] collection program (ORR Project No. 37.2494) and to discuss operational problems encountered to date. During the discussions, it became clear that the program had been of considerable value to both principal consuming Offices, particularly ORR. There was general agreement that more detailed guidance was required from the consumers, and the proposed ORR/OSI "[REDACTED] Handbook" received enthusiastic approval. It is likely that the program will be continued and enlarged somewhat to include additional OO/C personnel and field offices.
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- 25X1A9a b. Messrs [REDACTED] met with Dr. J. B. Wiesner, Consultant to the President's Scientific Adviser, to present and discuss an informal paper (S-514) prepared by I/GM in preliminary response to a request made of AD/SI by Dr. Wiesner for information on clandestine ICBM production under conditions of general disarmament. It was agreed that CIA would attempt to arrange for a detailed study to be made to provide the specific data Dr. Wiesner requires.
- 25X1A9a c. Arrangements have been made for [REDACTED] (I/GM) to represent CIA as a member of the Surface-to-Surface Missile Ad Hoc Committee of the Air Force Guided Missile Panel. This group deals primarily with intelligence on missile deployment in the USSR and Satellites.

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- d. Chief, I/GM briefed [REDACTED], during the OSI portion of the latter's visit to the Agency, on the production and deployment of Soviet missiles and on ORR's views on the possibility of a Chinese Communist missile program.
- e. Members of I/GM hosted SAC's formal briefing of various Agency components on the Soviet Surface-to-Air Missile Threat and, in conjunction with OCI, made arrangements for the reproduction and distribution of the SAC briefing aids to the intelligence community.
- f. Chief, I/GM provided support to ONE and the Director in connection with the preparation for the President of material on estimated Soviet ICBM production programs.
- g. Considerable I/GM time and effort during October was devoted to reviewing a succession of OSI proposals for ELINT collection against certain types of missile targets and attempting to persuade OSI of their operational infeasibility. The attempt failed and a unilateral OSI proposal has been prepared and forwarded.
- h. Support to OCI during October included the preparation of comments on two occasions on preliminary [REDACTED] views of the likelihood of current deployment of Soviet 700 n.m. missiles in East Germany and the preparation of a Current Support Memorandum on Modifications in Moscow Surface-to-Air Missile Defenses.

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2. Status of Projects:

- a. With USIB consideration of NIE 11-5-59 on 3 November, ORR participation in this Estimate under Project No. 30.2203 may be considered completed. Work continues on NIE 11-8-59 (Project No. 30.2603) and NIE 11-3-60 (Project No. 30.2204).

3. Problems:

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[REDACTED] (I/GM) will address the annual Clandestine Scientific and Technical Operations Course on the collection of guided missile production and deployment information. This is the second year in which, to our knowledge, I/GM has provided the only ORR representation in this basic 4-week orientation course for clandestine collectors sponsored by OSI. It again raises the question of whether ORR should consider sponsoring some formal program to insure adequate presentation of ORR interest to DD/P field and headquarters personnel.

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- b. Two of the three target studies assigned to OSI under the joint ORR-OSI project formally requested by DD/P (ORR Project No. 30.2457) have now been published without coordination with ORR, and coordination of the third appears unlikely, despite informal protests. The two published studies are quite inadequate, particularly in that they do not reflect ORR's collection requirements on the missile production activities of the target facilities. I/GM is considering recommending official action by the Office in this case.

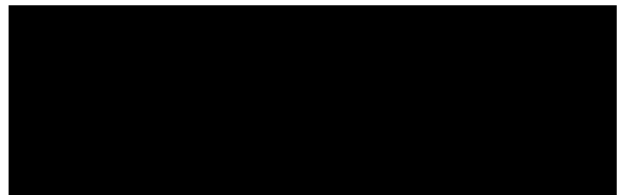
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- c. Last month the preparation was reported of a comprehensive requirement [REDACTED] culminating the exchange of correspondence between the DD/I and the [REDACTED]. This month it must be reported that the [REDACTED] which is the target of this requirement has stated informally that it cannot accept the requirement. If this position is upheld by higher [REDACTED] authority, it will presumably be necessary to seek further DD/I intervention or to create another new section in I/GM to deal with this problem.

- d. Branch action intended to meet certain well-known, long-standing production commitments continues to be disrupted by the constant flow of a veritable gallimaufry of new demands for immediate and occasionally retroactive support from an already hand-pressed organization still in its propaedeutic stages. One recent request for a CIA position on a complex problem of admittedly extremely grave policy consequence was received 4 minutes after the deadline for the required cabled response.

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